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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket: ATM-2273

Applicant : Hans-Rudolf NÄGELI et al.  
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For : PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF A PLASTIC-  
COATED ALUMINIUM FOIL AND PACKAGING MADE  
FROM THIS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

In Claim 3, line 1, cancel "1 or".

Amend Claim 5 as follows:

-- 5. (Once Amended) The process according to [any of claims 1 to]  
Claim 4, wherein [characterised in that] the shock-like cooling speed ( $V_A$ )  
of the plastic layer (14) is greater than 10°C/sec. --

Amend Claim 7 as follows:

-- 7. (Once Amended) The process according to [any of claims 1 to]  
Claim 6, wherein [characterised in that] the shock-like cooling of the plastic